



DIVISION OF LABOR AND THE WEALTH OF NATIONS

“THE GREATEST IMPROVEMENT IN THE PRODUCTIVE POWERS OF LABOUR, AND THE GREATER PART OF THE SKILL, DEXTERITY, AND JUDGMENT WITH WHICH IT IS ANY WHERE DIRECTED, OR APPLIED, SEEM TO HAVE BEEN THE EFFECTS OF THE DIVISION OF LABOUR.”

Adam Smith, *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*, Book I, Chapter 1, paragraph 1.



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THE IMPORTANCE OF PINS IN THE 18TH CENTURY

PINS WERE IMPORTANT IN ADAM SMITH'S TIME—THEY WEREN'T JUST FOR TAILORS!
SO IT'S NO WONDER ADAM SMITH USED THEM IN HIS FAMOUS PIN FACTORY EXAMPLE.



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EXPLORE ADAM SMITH'S PIN FACTORY

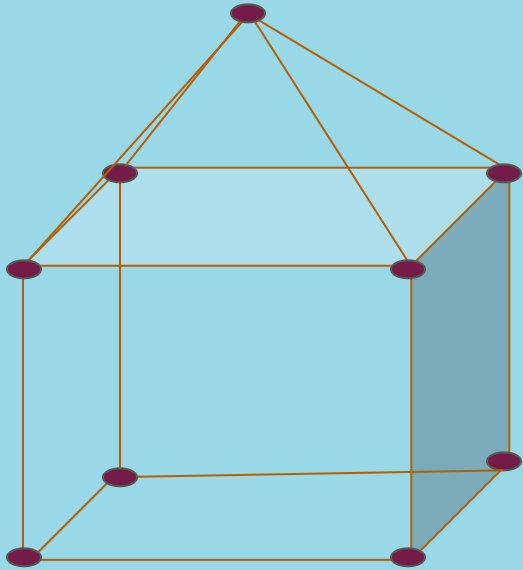
THE PIN FACTORY

What can we learn about our own world from Smith?
Join the workers in an 18th century pin factory to find
out more...

EXPLORE MORE

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LET'S BUILD SHEDS!



USING NINE RAISINS
AND TWELVE TOOTHPICKS
MAKE FOUR "SHEDS" ON
YOUR PAPER AS QUICKLY
AS YOU CAN.



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LET'S BUILD SHEDS!

1. WHAT WAS CHALLENGING ABOUT THE FIRST ROUND OF BUILDING SHEDS ON YOUR OWN?
2. WHAT CHANGED WHEN YOU BUILT SHEDS IN GROUPS OF THREE?
3. HOW DID 10 PEOPLE WORKING TOGETHER AFFECT SHED PRODUCTION?



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